Designing of the Delhi city Museum

1888. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's plans are underway for designing of the Delhi City Museum, which is proposed to be set up in the walled city area;

(b) if so, by when the proposed museum would be set up; and

(c) what are the details of the objects which would be exhibited in the museum?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) to (c) Delhi Administration proposes to set up the City Museum in 18 to 24 months' time, depending upon the availability of funds. The Museum will have objects which will reflect the history and culture of Delhi.

Constraints of Aviation sector as Hindrance for Development of Tourism

1889. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item which appeared in the Hindustan Times of 17th June, 1988 under the caption "Shortage of air seas hits tourism";

(b) whether the national Committee on tourism has pointed out the constraint in aviation sector as a major factor responsible for slow growth of tourism in the country;

(c) if so, what is Government's reaction in his regard; and

(d) what further steps Government propose to take to boost tourism industry in the country?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) No news-item under the caption "Shortage of air seats hits tourism" appeared in the Hindustan Times, New Delhi of 17 June, 1988.

(b) Yes, Sir. In their report, the National Committee on Tourism has cited shortage of air capacity as one of the constraints affecting the growth of tourism to the country.

(c) and (d) With a view to augmenting their capacity, Air-India have placed an order for two numbers 747-300 Combi aircraft to be delivered in October/November, 1988.

Indian Airlines have also placed an order for the supply of 19 numbers A-320 Airbus Aircraft to be delivered in 1989-90. They have also been permitted to obtain on lease basis five numbers B-737 Aircraft.

As a step boost tourism, tourist charters have been permitted to land in Delhi, Bombay, Madras, Calcutta, Trivandrum, Goa and Bangalore.

Launching of continuing Education Programme by the Indira Gandhi National Open University

1890. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal under consideration to launch continuing educational programme on a larger scale in the Indira Gandhi National Open University;

(b) if so, what are the details of the programmes presently under study in the said university;

(c) what are the details of the new courses likely to be added; and

(d) to what extent the weaker sections of society would be benefited?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE